

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated March 7, 2000 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1 and 3-10.

The Appeal Fee (\$300 - Non-Small Entity) is

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